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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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NOBUHIRO YASUI ET AL.)	
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Application No.: 10/813,005)	
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Filed: March 31, 2004)	
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For: MAGNETIC MATERIAL,)	
MAGNETIC RECORDING	:	
MEDIUM, MAGNETIC)	
RECORDING/REPRODUCING	:	
APPARATUS, INFORMATION)	
PROCESSING APPARATUS,	:	
AND METHOD FOR)	
MANUFACTURING THE	:	
MAGNETIC MATERIAL)	May 25, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed foreign documents are also enclosed.

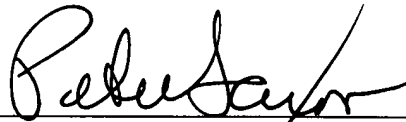
The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents is found in the specification where cited, in an attached abstract and if provided, in a corresponding published U.S. application.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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